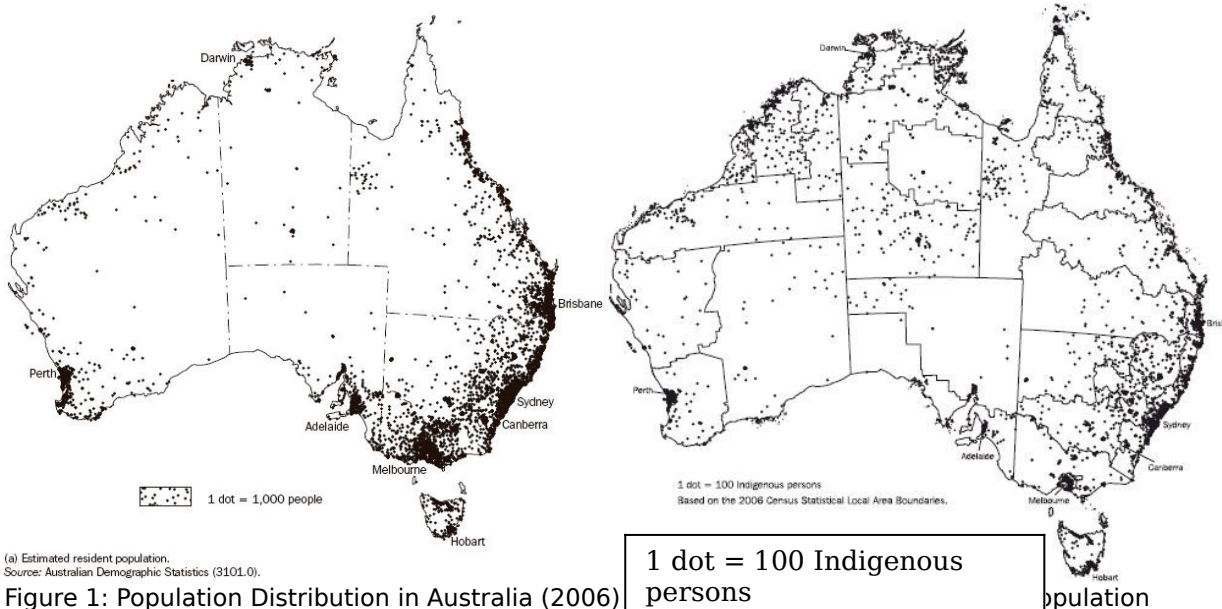


What is the Distribution of the Indigenous Population in Australia?

MAP:



TASK:

- How is the legend of Figure 2 different from Figure 1?
- On Figure 2, shade the map to show the distribution of the Indigenous population. Use a legend to indicate the population density (e.g., lightly, moderately, and very lightly populated). Create a legend for your map.
- Describe the difficulties you had in drawing these zones.

The estimated resident Indigenous population at 30 June 2006 was 517,200 people, or 2.5% of the total Australian population.

Source: Year Book Australia, 2008

- Using the map showing the distribution of the Indigenous population (Figure 2) to estimate the Indigenous population of the States and Territories. Place your answers below.

1. (Most Indigenous)

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

(Fewest Indigenous)

5. Compare your answers in Question 4 with the data provided below and show how your answers are similar to the values below and how are they different?

Indigenous Population (a)

	Population 2006 (c) '000	% Indigenous Australian Population
New South Wales	148.2	28.7
Victoria	30.8	6.0
Queensland	146.4	28.3
South Australia	26.0	5.0
Western Australia	77.9	15.1
Tasmania	16.9	3.3
Northern Territory	66.6	12.9
Australian Capital Territory	4.0	0.8
Australia (d)	517.2	100.0

Source: Year Book Australia, 2008

(a) Experimental estimates

(c) Estimates are preliminary

(d) Includes other Territories (Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands)

6. Identify 3 ways in which the distribution of the Indigenous population is different to the non-Indigenous population in Australia.

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7. Explain why you think these differences occur.